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Voyles Clarifies Press Release Regarding Former Pinal County Attorney Prosecutors

FLORENCE, AZ (5/24/13) – On January 2, 2013, Pinal County Attorney Lando Voyles issued a News Release related to his transition into office. The News Release announced personnel changes, including the dismissal of Pinal Deputy County Attorneys, which were enacted during the transition. In addition, the News Release informed the public of possible embezzlement within the office that Voyles pledged to investigate.

In the days that followed the News Release, it became apparent that the reference to the embezzlement investigation may have left the mistaken impression that the former Pinal Deputy County Attorneys may have played some role in the possible embezzlement or might be subjects of the investigation. In order to clarify his message, Voyles announced today, “My January 2, 2013 News Release was not, in any way, intended to convey that Paul Ahler, Kristy Perkins, Stacey Heard, James Heard, Neil Miller, Susan Crawford or any of the other attorneys I dismissed have ever been suspected of any improper or illegal activity. All of these individuals are devoted public servants whose integrity should not be questioned. I regret any confusion that may have been created from my January 2, 2013 News Release.”

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